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FROM THE GUARDIAN.

ADDRESS TO YOUTH,

FOR THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR.

My dear Friends,

As the year is now drawing to a close, I have determined to address you. It is to subjects which are connected with your highest welfare, that I could call your attention. This is a season well adopted to excite in you serious and solemn reflections it should cause you to call to mind that mercy of God which has spared your lives, while many of your friends and acquaintances have been carried to the grave; which has given you health and plenty, while others have been distressed with sickness and want; which has afforded you precious means of instruction, while others have been ignorant and untaught. How can you avoid reflecting on the shortness of time. Another year of your lives is gone, and how rapid has been its flight! It must seem but as yesterday since you were at its commencement—since you united with others in the congratulations of the New Year. In a very few days your friends will again greet you with "*A happy new year.*" Thus will your lives continue to pass away, one year after another in quick

succession, till shortly they will be ended, and your account sealed up to the great day. Let me then urge you to pause, and, for a moment, reflect what you have done, what you are now doing, and whither you are hastening. Though, while you pause and reflect, time holds on in its rapid career; though you can do nothing to slacken the pace with which you are hurrying to the tomb, still you may thus be excited to spend the rest of your days on earth in such a manner, as will afford you present peace and future blessedness. A year, my friends, is a very considerable, a very important portion of our short lives: eternal consequences may depend on the mode of our spending it. A year spent in folly and sin, may procure everlasting perdition to the soul, while a year devoted to the service of God, may prepare it for everlasting happiness and glory. Even a much less period may determine the unchangeable destiny of an immortal being. Certainly, then, it is suitable that I call upon young persons who shall read this address, to inquire of themselves most solemnly, how they have spent the year which is about to end. If it is ever wise to converse with our past hours, it is so at this period. Though they are "with the years beyond the flood," and we can neither recall them, nor make satisfaction for the sins which they have witnessed, still this may excite in us contrition of heart and amendment of life.

In the first place, I will suppose that you whom I am now addressing, are friends of God—that you have been renewed by his Spirit, and made heirs of glory. What, then, has been your progress in the Christian race during the past year? Look carefully into yourselves, and ask what you are now, compared with what you were at its commencement? Have you become, in any rspect, more holy? Have you gained any advantage over your remaining evil propensities? Are you, in any measure, more spiritually and heavenly minded? Are your affections more drawn towards God and all spiritual objects? Do you find greater satisfaction in the worship and service of God? Are the duties of prayer, of self examination, and reading the Holy Scriptures, more punctually and more devoutly performed? Do you in these duties get nearer to God, and enjoy more of his presence and his love? Does the temper of your mind any more resemble that of heaven, and are you in any greater readiness to leave the world and go to that holy and happy place? If you will be faithful with yourselves—if you will al-

low conscience to discharge in its proper office, you may be able to find a correct reply to these and similar inquiries. I would farther ask, Have you made any advances in Christian knowledge? Have you, during the past year, become more confirmed and established in the truth as it is in Jesus; more settled as to the doctrines and the duties taught and inculcated in the sacred oracles, and less exposed to be carried about with every wind of doctrine? Have you discovered more of the harmony and the beauty of divine revelation; has it hence become more precious to your souls; have you become more attached to the study of it; has a knowledge of it in your view increased in importance, in comparison with all other knowledge; and has the world, with all its possessions, its gaities & delights,grown less in your esteem? Certainly you cannot, during the last twelve months, have been faithful to God, to yourselves, and to the vows which your souls once made in anguish, as well as those which you may have made in the assembly of the Saints, without being now able to answer some of these inquiries in the affirmative. Surrounded as you have been with all necessary helps, favoured with so many means of instruction and edification, if you have not grown in grace—if you have made no advances towards the measure of the stature of perfect men in Christ, you certainly have cause to accuse yourselves of criminal neglect of duty, and to be deeply humble before God. Let it come home to your minds with most solemn impression, that you are one year nearer the end of your earthly course, and, if children of grace, one year nearer heaven without having at all increased your preparation for it. You may well tremble lest you have backslidden from God; lest you are altogether destitute of his love; lest he will cast you off in the day of final account.

In the Scriptures of truth, we are told, "None of us liveth to himself." So far has any one imbibed the spirit of the Gospel, he feels that he is living for the glory of God and the good of his fellow creatures. Now, how will your conduct, during the year past, bear investigation in this light? Have you devoted any part of the year to plans for doing good? Have you studied how you might do something to promote the honour of Jehovah's name, and the temporal and eternal welfare of those about you? Is any creature of God now the more happy or less miserable, for any thing which, during the last 12 months, you have done in his behalf?

The strength, the activity and vigor of your youth, are surely due to Him who has redeemed you, and to whom you have, by profession, devoted all which you are and which you possess. But how will you fulfil this obligation so well, as by making efforts to promote his cause? Never think it enough that your own souls be saved by his merits; but labor and pray that others may forever unite with you in showing forth the praise and glory of his grace.

Probably some of you during the past year, have been brought from darkness into God's marvelous light; have been renewed in the spirit and temper of your minds; have, for the first time, tasted and seen that the Lord is gracious. To you this has been a most interesting, a most important year: to all eternity you will have occasion to remember it, as forming a new and blessed era in your lives; to all eternity you will find cause bless God for what he has recently wrought within you. When you contrast your present peace, and joy, and hope, with the stupidity, the moral darkness and the gloomy fears which occupied your minds at the commencement of the year, your tongue may well break forth in rapture and praise. From being lately far off from God in unrighteousness, have you indeed been brought nigh to him by the blood of Christ. O,then, testify your gratitude to God for this display of his grace, by beginning and ending the New Year in his service, by living henceforth entirely for his glory. The thought that all your preceding years have been spent for no valuable purpose, that they have been squandered away and lost, should not only fill you with humility, but should excite you in time to come, to double your dilligence, to do whatever your hand findeth to do with your might.

2. I will suppose that you whom I am addressing, are in the gall of bitterness, that you are without hope, and without God in the world. Alas! that there should be occasion to make this supposition respecting any. You are in a most deplorable condition. Your state is more alarming, your sins are more numerous and more aggravted, than at the commencement of the year. Reflect, I beseech you, on the manner in which you have lived. Another year has been spent in sin, in oppostion to God, in rejection of Christ, in resisting the Holy Spirit, in treasuring up to yourselves wrath. How solemn, how affecting is the thought. A year spent in the full indulgence of iniquity, both in your hearts and your lives, is no inconsider-

able thing. During this period, how many duties have you left undone; how many actual transgressions have you committed; how many sinful thoughts; how many criminal and unhallowed desires; how many profane, false, slanderous, and mischievous words; how many forbidden and wicked actions has the Creator beheld in you, and recorded against you? All this time not one act has been done for his glory; not one sincere and humble prayer has been made; not one emotion of real penitence has been felt; no measure of faith in the Redeemer has been exercised; in you, a selfish and a worldly mind has been wholly predominant; by you a proud, a self-righteous, an unbelieving spirit has been freely indulged. While God has been sparing you, while he has been daily loading you with his benefits, you have been, all the time, rebelling against him. On his part, the year has been an uninterrupted series of kindness and mercy; on your part, an uninterrupted series of sin and rebellion. My dear friends, had you a proper impression of your offences against God during the past year, their number would astonish you, their aggravation would overwhelm you.

If you would have a sense of their aggravation, consider what God has done to instruct and reform you; how many & how excellent the means of grace which you have enjoyed & have failed to improve. During the year there have been 52 Sabbaths; and on most, if not all of them, you have had opportunity to go to the house of God, to hear his word preached, and to unite in worship with his people. Yes, dear youth, for fifty-two days you have been taught the way of salvation by men specially set apart to his work; have been exhorted and entreated to seek an interest in the Lord Jesus, and to secure your everlasting happiness *now*, in the morning of your days. If you will reflect, you must remember that they have often, and in striking language, warned you of the shortness of life; the emptiness and vanity of all earthly good; the danger of losing your souls forever; and with great earnestness have exhorted you to seek an interest in the Saviour without delay. You have heard them describe, with great feeling and solemnity, the evil of sin, and the ruin which is coming on those who do not forsake it. They have also, with animated eloquence, told of the joys of heaven, and have held them out to you as the certain and eternal portion of your souls, provided you seek and serve the Lord. With earnest entreaty they have called

upon you to give up your youthful follies; to forsake your thoughtless and sinful companions; to restrain your evil propensities; and to seek happiness in the enjoyment of God. Thus have you been clearly taught the way in which you should go, and have been urged by the most powerful motives to walk in it. But during the year, you have witnessed the operations of the Divine Spirit in convincing many of sin, & converting them to God. You have heard what the Most High has thus done in many places for the increase of his Church, & the causing of joy in Heaven. In this manner you have been impressively taught that *one thing is needful*; have been warned to secure to yourselves that good part which shall never be taken from you. You have also had in your hands the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise unto salvation. Through the whole year you have had opportunity to read them at your leisure, and to treasure up the words of life which they contain. In this manner you have had life and death, & blessing & cursing clearly set before you. Many of you have likewise had opportunity daily to attend religious worship in the families, with which you have resided. Morning and evening you have heard your parents, or others, read the word of God, and devoutly pray to him in behalf of yourselves and of all men. From time to time they have also taght you the principles of our holy religion, and have urged you to make them the rule of your conduct. Some of your young companions, too, who feel the love of God, have told you of the happiness which they enjoy in the service of their Maker, have entreated you to seek the same, have kindly taken you by the hand, and endeavored to lead you in those ways which are pleasantness, in those paths which are peace. God has addressed you by the voice of his providence. Within your observation he has cut down some of your fellow men by the stroke of death; perhaps has come near to you by removing some of your dear companions; some who, like yourselves, were in the full bloom of youth and of health, and were putting far off the evil day. Perhaps he has sent painful and alarming sickness upon you, causing you for a season to hang in dreadful suspense over the grave. By these things he has said to you, "Prepare to meet thy God;" "Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live." In addition to all these things, he has caused conscience to reprove and admonish you, & excite you to duty. It may be he has sent his Spirit to strive with

you, to convince you of sin, and to cause you to cry, "What shall I do to be saved?" Such are the things which, during the year, God has done with those who will read this address, to reclaim them from all iniquity, and to cause them to seek a share in the *great salvation*. By some of you perhaps, all these things have been experienced. With every individual, more or less of these means have been used. But affecting to tell! all has been without any saving effect: all has served only to render you more obstinate and heard-harted—more opposed to God, and more in love with sin. You are still walking in the ways of your own heart, and in the sight of your own eyes —still urging your way down to the chamber of death. You are now one year nearer to the grave and to the judgment; but, instead of having made the least preparation, you have removed yourselves farther from God; you stand chargeable with more sins against him; you are more deserving of his wrath and curse, than at any former period.

Such, be assured, is your true character in the sight of God, and such is your condition. And are you willing that the present year should end and the next begin—that one year should pass away after another, till your days are numbered and finished, and you remain in this state? What more can I say to you; what new warning can I give you; what new motive set before you? "Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for" your present indifference, and for the future miseries which are coming upon you. But my tears can be of no avail to you. Would you avoid those miseries, you must learn to weep for yourselves, and for your sins. Oh, that you might, before the few remaining moments of this year have fled, experience godly sorrow for the past, and form new and abiding resolutions for the future. Oh! that thus you might be prepared to begin the new year with God.

A LETTER.

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One evening she awoke at the going down of the sun, and complained of intense cold. It was in vain every attempt was made to warm her. She continually demanded new applications, until her father, unable longer to conceal the cause, said, to her oft repeated question, What makes me so cold? my child, it is death! With a look of inde-

scribable horror, she exclaimed, Is it possible? Can this be death I feel? Am I dying? You certainly are, my poor child, said the afflicted parent.

Oh why, said she did I not know this before? But self-deceived, I have no excuse to offer. Oh, had I attended as I ought to the words of the good minister, or that Christian friend who sought to warn me of my danger, instead of the terrors I now feel, I might have been rejoicing in a reconciled God: though late he would have accepted my sincere repentance." Her mother exhorted her to go to Christ now. She apparently prayed in great agony of spirit. And here we have one pause to remark — what are difficulties sinners offer to the Scripture character of Jesus Christ--whatever doubts they may have, or affect to have, with respect to His nature or His mission—"The great Teacher, Death," seems to take away the film of ignorance as well as prejudice, and to reveal the Divine character of the Saviour fully and clearly. The prayers of this interesting penitent were continually addressed to the Lord Jesus Christ, not only as the friend of sinners, but as the God whom she had offended, and who had created and redeemed her. "Thou God of mercy, thou Saviour of sinners," she would say, "have mercy on my soul! Spare me until I have made my peace with thee!" She then asked if she could live until to-morrow. Being told it was improbable she could survive but a few hours, she prayed with great earnestness for another day to live. "Oh, but one day," she would say, "but one more day to live:" but finding herself going fast, she continued ro implore the pardon of her before neglected Saviour. Her agonizing prayers, clothed as they were in rich pathetic language, were enough to melt a heart of stone. Her afflicted mother, whom nothing but the grace of God supported in this trying scene, tried to apply the promises of the Gospel, exhorting her to give herself up entirely to the care of that compassionate Savionr who died for such as her. She continued untill past midnight in this distress. Her voice and strength seemed to hold out to the last. There was no cessation of her cries until a few moments before her death, when she was silent. Her mother hoping to gain some evidence of her peace, said, "Do you feel any more comfortable?" "I don't know," said she: "would I could live one more day! But if it must be so—not my will but thine be done. Blessed Saviour take me to thine arms." She then sunk back on the pillow, and expired.

We do not presume to lift the veil that hides the eternal world, or to anticipate the judgments of God, further than His word has revealed them. But surely we may, from this example, press upon the attention of all, partic-

ularly those who trust in a death-bed repentance, the necessity of attending now to the things that concern their everlasting peace. The uncertainty of such repentance being sincere, when driven to it by the near prospect of death, cannot be too often shown. Still more vain the assertion that we are good enough to die. The young lady mentioned was as amiable as most who are denominated so; but she was at last taught she wanted "that holiness without which no man can see the Lord." Her mother has often told me, that amiable and useful as she was, she never presents herself to her mind but in one character; and that, whether asleep or awake, whenever she is brought to her view, it is in the attitude of pleading for mercy; and with the heart-rending supplication, "Oh for another day to live!" "Thou God of mercy, if but one more day."

FROM THE GUARDIAN.

A USEFUL HINT TO PARENTS.

The proper education of children is of the greatest importance to the cause of religion and the happiness of society. Could parents be sensible how much the future habits and conduct of their children depend upon their education, they would spare no pains to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." The good effects resulting from the pious education of children, are known by universal experience and observation. Many incidents which appear of little importance undoubtedly tend very much to the formation of their future characters. If while young they become inured to virtuous actions; and if they early acquire habits of industry; and are taught that it is more blessed to give than receive; we have great reason to hope that these habits will continue with them through life. But if they are left to their own choice, and are permitted to indulge in idleness, they acquire vicious habits which often prove their ruin. X.

VERMONT YEARLY MEETING

WAS holden at Vershire Vt. the 7th & 8th days of October last.

1st. Organized the meeting by appointing Eld. Daniel Bachelder *Moderator*, & Eld. George Hacket *Clerk*.

2d. Heard the reports from several Qr. Meetings, viz. Huntington, Hardwick, Strafford, Owego,* New-Durham, and Weare. All these Qr. Meetings brought good reports of a union amongst them, and an increase of members in some. Thirty-seven were added to the Strafford Q M. since their last.

3d. Voted to hold the next Y. M. at Strafford, Vt. the first Saturday in October next.

Sabbath, the 8th, was spent in preaching, exhortation, and prayer. Those who preached were Elders Nathaniel King, John

Gould, and Ebenezer Knowlton.

The time through the meeting was agreeably spent, and after uniting in prayer, we closed the meeting.

G. HACKET, *Clerk.*

**Owego is a Q. M. that has not been published in the Informer before. It appears by the minutes, that it is situated in N. Y. and Penn —that three years ago there were but 14 members, and now there are 4 churches which compose the Q. M. and the whole number of members are 159—and that the work of reformation continues in that place.*

WEARE QUARTERLY MEETING

WAS holden at Fishersfield, N. H. the first Wednesday & Thursday in Nov. last. But few preachers were present at the meeting, and the weather being stormy, we had not so agreeable a season as would be desired; yet the reports from some of the churches were refreshing. Eight members have been added to Weare church, since the last Q. M. which makes their present number 102.

The following Elders preached at the meeting, viz. T. Morse, S. How, E. Chase, and J. Swett.

Voted to hold the next Q. M. at Newport, N. H. the first Wednesday and Thursday in June next.

NOTICE.

THIS Number completes the first volume of the Religious Informer. I hereby tender my thanks to those patrons who have paid for their numbers, and request, if possible, that others would send the amount due in the course of this month.

The expense of paper has been considerable, and the money to pay for it, will be expected from the subscribers. It is pleasing to reflect that the Informer has circulated already into so many States in the Union, and new subscribtions are frequently received. I regret, however, that I have not been able to make it more interesting; but still hope to do better. In many of the numbers, the print has not been so good as would have been wished, but should prompt payment be made, I shall be able to supply myself with new type, so as to remedy that evil. It is hoped that all who are now subscribers will continue their subscriptions, at least, *one year longer*, and try to encourage others also to subscribe.

A few years ago the number of people, who belonged to the Free-will-Baptist society, were few; and information could be transmitted to all parts of the connection, without the aid of a printed medium; but now it has enlarged itself, and spread into a large number of the States, that a printed medium has become importantly necessary.

I have received verbal information, that a number of brethren in N. Y. and Ohio have recently united together, and wish to correspond with us. They have appointed to hold a Yearly-Meeting in a town, called Brotherton, to be holden the second Saturday in June next. If any person can give more particular information concerning those people, they are requested to write to the Editor of the Informer, that it may be published for the good of the whole.

I still request my brethren to write, that the prosperity of Zion may be known.

I delight to publish the wonderful dealings of God in the conversion of souls, and believing my time on earth is short, I hope in heaven to meet with hundreds, who read this publication and there join the "*innumerable company*" to celebrate the praises of HIM, who bled for us.

I close this address, by subscribing myself your servant for Jesus' sake.

EBENEZER GHASE.

N. B. Any person, who pays for two years at the end of the first, will be considered as paying in advance.

If any numbers have not arrived, they will be forwarded by information being given of the deficient numbers.

A few setts of the Informer, Vol 1st put together, for sale at this office.

FOR THE INFORMER.

Copy of a Letter from Ed. William Blaisdell to the Editor of the Religious Informer, dated Guilford Nov. 7th, 1820.

BROTHER CHASE,

Time does not permit me to give you a lengthy detail of the glorious work of God, which has recently taken place in this town, but I am happy to state, in short, that within a few weeks past, the Lord, by his Holy Spirit has revived his work among us, in a solemn and pleasing manner. About twenty appear to be the subjects of the work, who appear to be humble, and happily engaged in the praises of our divine Immanuel. At present the attention of the people is great, and the prospect is still encouraging. I have baptized ten, and it is thought that more will be soon. Love and union prevails, and christians almost of every religious persuasion appear to harmonize in the work, so that we can say—

"*How pleasant 'tis to see,*
Kindred and friends agree."

Yours, &c.
WILLIAM BLAISDELL.

FOR THE INFORMER.

Extract of a letter from Br. Samuel Steere, to the Editor, dated Gloucester, R. I. November 9th, 1820.

DEAR BROTHER IN CHRIST,

For as such I esteem you; although we are not personally acquainted. Yet I humbly hope, we are both acquainted with that "One Spirit" that unites the humble followers of the Lamb, in one fold. Considering we are such a distance from each other, and as we have never conevrsed together face to face, I am at a loss how to address you; but believing that the subject of religion will be the most agreeable subject with you, as it is also with me, I will just mention, that the State of Rhode-Island has been visited for a number of months past with refreshing showers of Grace Divine, and in the parts of this State, where sister C. H. Danforth has been laboring in a very particular manner, the work has been glorious, and is gradually progressing. Brother Joseph White, a faithful servant, is laboring with us in the Gospel. Sister C. H. Danforth will leave these regions this week for Portsmouth, in company with brother M. Fernald, and expects to go from thence to her father's, and tarry through the winter; but the Macedonian cries of the people in this State, and in Connecticut, I think will come up so often before the Throne of Grace, that the Lord will not suffer her to stay long in that country.

Yours in Tribulation,

SAMUEL STEERE.

Revivals of Religion.

We understand by the Christian Herald, that a revival has taken place in the Counties of Franklin and St. Lawrence, N. Y. under the improvement of a young man by the name of James Spooner. In Potsdam, N. Y. about forty have professed a change in the Academy.

Elder Jabez King writes that the good work of the Lord continues to spread in Florida and Duanesburgh, N. Y.

From Dudley, Ms. we learn that in a village, containing about 100 persons small & great, 30 have been hopefully converted to God.

Elder Joshua Bradley writes from Middlebury, N. Y. as follows.

We have been highly favored in our new station and labors. In Bethany we have a large society, and a church has been constituted and has now 28 members. I have baptized 19 there. A glorious revival is now going on in Warsaw, under Eld. Pattison's ministry.—He has baptized 41. Forty have been added to the church of which I am pastor. It now is 115 in number.

Elder Nathan Mills writes, that a reformation has commenced in Springfield, Vt. & Cavendish. He mentions that the youth are flocking to Christ, & that two persons aged about 79 have recently been baptized.

A letter is just recieved from Elder Charles Bowles of Huntington, Vt. which informs us that he has recently spent a few days in Hanover, N. H where he says there is a great prospect of a reformation. Six or seven were brought into the liberty while he was there, and he baptized three.

BROTHER CHASE,

Agreeably to the general practice of the churches in this connection, I send you the following for publication.

MINUTES

OF a Quarterly Meeting, holden at Waterford, Vt.

Elders' Conference was holden on Friday, P. M. Oct. 27th, in which we enjoyed a good degree of union and agreement.

Saturday, 28th, Our Q. M. convened, and after making choice of Eld. Daniel Quimby, *Moderator*. we received the reports from the several churches which, though they generally complained of a low time, yet in some of the churches, the Lord is at work visibly, and causing additions to be made. May the Lord continue his work, until "his church shall become one, and his praise one throughout the world."

In the afternoon a discourse was delivered by Eld. Reuben Allen from Acts 3. 22. which was followed by a number of exhortations.

Sabbath, A. M. Eld. Moses Norris spake from 2. Tim. 4. 2. and Eld. Daniel Quimby from Rom. 9. 33.

P. M. A discourse was delivered by Elder Allen from 2. Kings 7. 4. which was followed by a number of weighty exhortations.

We experienced the melting power of God in the meeting.—Glory to his name.

JOSIAH LANE, *Clerk.*

Our next Q. M. is to be holden at Sutton, Vt. the last Saturday in February, 1821.

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THE following is a list of the Elders and churches in the Gorham Me. Quarterly Meeting.

Parsonsfield	John Buzzell
do.	Christ'r Bullock
Newfield	Samuel Burbank
Limington	Jer. Bullock
Waterboro'	Pelatiah Tingley
do.	Henry Hobbs
do.	Henry Leach
Hollis	Hump. Goodwin
Ossipee	Mayhew Clark
Buxton	Jonathan Clay
Saco	George Parcher
Lyman	Richard Emery
Standish	Joseph White*
Raymond	Zach. Leach
do.	Zach. Jordan*
Gray	James Colley
Wells	Joseph Goodwin

Number of Elders—17.

Those Preachers with this * mark annexed to their names, travel mostly. And many of the others travel considerably.

Elder Humphry Goodwin, is a middle aged man, and supposed to be in a declining state of

health.

Eld P. Tingley is a man far advanced in years well known in general, and attended the last (Nov) Elders Conference in Parsonsfield.

CHURCHES.

There is a church in each of the above towns except Lyman. In Ossipee there are two churches— In Hollis two In Gorham, Shapleigh, Wakefield, Alfred, and Ousfield are churches, one in each town. In Danville and Minot, one. In Buckfield and Hebron, one. In Hartford and Sumner, one.

Total number of churches, 22.

DIED—In this town, Reuben, son of Mr. Edmond H. Cilley, aged 4 An Infant, daughter of Mr. Benjamin Kenniston In Roxbury, Gardner C Gove, son of Mr. John Gove, 5 years: killed by the upsetting of a cart. In Chichester. Widow Rebecca Haines, 95 —At Moultonboro' Mr. Abner Adams, 59.

NOTICE.

THIS certifies that I Henry Scera do give my son [Henry] his time to act for himself as if he were twenty-one years of age, and do relinquish all claims to him or his earnings. I also forbid all persons trusting or harbouring him on my account, as I shall pay no debts of his contracting after this date HENRY SCERA

SALISBURY N. H. SEPT 16, 1820.

Those are the best instructors, who teach in their lives, and prove their doctrine by their actions.

IF we are beset with great temptations from the adversary, it is pretty certain we have previously yielded to small ones.

POETRY.

1 HOW wondrous that the loving Lamb
Should undertake for sinful man;
To lay aside his royal robe,
And hasten to this dark abode.

2 Our Saviour's heart was fill'd with love,
He left the bright abodes above,
What sorrows he did undergo
To save our souls from dreadful woe.

5 His grief and pain, none can express
Whilst trav'ling through this wilderness;
The lilies cloth'd, the ravens fed,
But he'd not where to lay his head.

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